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SUBJECT: FORMIN CAGLAYANGIL INTERVIEWS

1. TWO MAJOR TURKISH DAILIES THURSDAY (APRIL 17) CARRIED SEPARATE INTERVIEWS WITH FONMIN IHSAN SABRI CAGLAYANGIL. MAIN TOPICS COVERED WERE GREEK-TURKISH AND TURKISH-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

2. IN HIS HURRIYET INTERVIEW, UNDER THE HEADLINE)HT  
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"CAGLAYANGIL: 'INJURIES TO TURKS IN WESTERN THRACE MUST BE ENDED'", THE FOREIGN MINISTER REPORTEDLY SAID ETHNIC TURKS IN EASTERN GREECE ARE UNDER PRESSURE TO EMIGRATE, ARE FORBIDDEN TO LISTEN TO TURKISH RADIO, AND ARE BEING TREATED AS SECOND CLASS CITIZENS. "IT IS HIGH  
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TIME THIS MOST UNJUST TREATMENT OF THE TURKS IN WESTERN

THRACE BE ABANDONED," HE SAID.

3. ON THE OTHER HAND, HURRIYET QUOTED THE FOREIGN MINISTER AS SAYING THAT GREEK-TURKISH RELATIONS COULD SOON BE IMPROVED. CONCERNING PREPARATIONS FOR TALKS WITH THE GREEK FOREIGN MINISTER ON THE CONTINENTAL SHELF ISSUE, CAGLAYANGIL REPORTEDLY SAID: "IF THE CONDUCT AND POSITIONS ARE MUTUALLY CONSTRUCTIVE, THESE PREPARATIONS CAN BE COMPLETED RAPIDLY. LET US HAVE A TALK FIRST. WE MUST REACH AGREEMENT AND NOT GO TO THE HAGUE."

4. IN THE HURRIYET INTERVIEW, THE FOREIGN MINISTER DECLINED TO SPECULATE ON THE OUTCOME OF THE U.S. AID CUT-OFF. HE NOTED THAT THE CUT-OFF HAD SERIOUSLY AFFECTED U.S.-TURKISH RELATIONS AND THE U.S.'S "UNILATERAL DECISION LEFT TURKEY FREE TO ACT."

5. AT THE END OF THE CAGLAYANGIL INTERVIEW, HURRIYET CARRIED A STATEMENT BY JUSTICE PARTY SENATOR KAMRAN INAN WHO REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THE TIME GRANTED TO THE U.S. TO END THE ARMS EMBARGO WOULD EXPIRE AT THE END OF APRIL AND THAT THE DEMIREL GOVERNMENT DOUBTLESS WOULD TAKE APPROPRIATE MEASURES IN DUE COURSE.

6. IN A SECOND INTERVIEW, IN CONSERVATIVE TERCUMAN, CAGLAYANGIL REPORTEDLY DENIED THAT THE U.S. HAD ASKED FOR TURKISH CONCESSIONS ON CYPRUS AS A CONDITION FOR RESUMING AID. HE SAID THAT SUCH ASSERTIONS HAD BEEN PUT FORWARD "IN A CERTAIN PORTION OF OUR PRESS." ON GREEK-TURKISH RELATIONS, THE FOREIGN MINISTER TOLD TERCUMAN THAT THE DEMIREL GOVERNMENT AIMS TO IMPROVE THESE RELATIONS AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE CYPRIOT INTER-COMMUNAL TALKS IN VIENNA WOULD HELP IN THIS PROCESS.  
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